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DIVINE QUEEN SEEKS FIRST GRADED STAKES WIN IN SATURDAY'S GRADE III, \$200,000 CHILUKKI;

Recruiting Ready Tops \$120,000-Added Bet On Sunshine

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2019) – **Carl Hurst** and **William “Buff” Bradley**’s \$125,000 Open Mind winner **Divine Queen** will be in search of her first graded stakes victory Saturday as she tops a compact field of six rivals in the 34th running of the \$200,000 Chilukki (Grade III) at Churchill Downs.

The one-mile Chilukki, for fillies and mares, is part of a stakes doubleheader at Churchill Downs with the \$120,000-added Bet On Sunshine Overnight Stakes for 3-year-olds and up at six furlongs. The Chilukki is slated as Race 8 with a post time of 6:42 p.m. (all times Eastern) while the Bet On Sunshine is carded as Race 10 at 8:10 p.m. Churchill Downs will have a special late post of 2:15 p.m. on Saturday to run intermittent with the Breeders’ Cup World Championships at Santa Anita. The simulcast of the Breeders’ Cup will be shown on the Big Board and television monitors throughout the facility.

In the Chilukki, Divine Queen (17-6-2-0—\$323,814) sped off to a 2 ¾-length victory in September’s six-furlong Open Mind. The homebred daughter of Divine Park will stretch out in distance to one mile for the Chilukki. Divine Queen was entered in Friday’s \$120,000-added Dream Supreme but will scratch in favor of Saturday’s race, according to Bradley. **Calvin Borel** will be in the saddle for the Chilukki and the duo will break from post position No. 5.

Also entered in the Chilukki is **Sather Family**’s Grade III winner **Mylady Curlin** (8-5-1-2—\$422,605) who will cut back in distance following her third-place effort in the \$200,000 Locust Grove (GIII) in September. Trained by **Brad Cox**, Mylady Curlin’s last four starts took place at distances of 1 1/16 miles or greater and the Chilukki will be the first time the 4-year-old daughter of Curlin will compete around one turn since Feb. 1 at Oaklawn. **Shaun Bridgmohan** will pilot Mylady Curlin, who drew post 2.

Another rival in the Chilukki is **CJ Thoroughbreds**, **Left Turn Racing** and **Casner Racing**’s impressive 9 ¼-length allowance winner **Sally’s Curlin** (7-3-0-2—\$159,336). The 3-year-old filly by Curlin easily defeated a second-level allowance field on Sept. 15 at Churchill Downs. Sally’s Curlin, trained by **Dale Romans**, drew the rail with **Corey Lanerie** in the irons.

The complete field for the Chilukki from the rail out (with jockey, trainer and weight): Sally’s Curlin (Lanerie, Romans, 118); Mylady Curlin (Bridgmohan, Cox, 121); **Still There** (Jon Court, Dane Kobiskie, 121); **She’s Pretty Lucky** (Declan Cannon, Eddie Kenneally, 121); Divine Queen (Borel, Bradley, 121); **Chocolate Martini** (James Graham, Tom Amoss, 121); and **Cairenn** (Miguel Mena, Graham Motion, 121).

Two races later, **Sagamore Farm**’s multiple stakes winner **Recruiting Ready** will lead a competitive field of 10 sprinters to the post in the \$120,000-added Bet On Sunshine Overnight Stakes.

Trained by **Stan Hough**, the speedy Recruiting Ready (24-8-3-5—\$725,264) dominated a six-furlong allowance contest in September at Churchill Downs by 2 ½ lengths in a final time of 1:08.10. The 5-year-old son of Algorithms recently finished fourth, defeated just 1 ¼ lengths to \$2 million Breeders Cup Sprint (GI) entrants **Engage** and **Whitmore**. **Corey Lanerie** picks up the mount from post 6.

Also entered in the Bet On Sunshine: **Autumn Hill Farms Racing Stables'** \$200,000 Commonwealth Stakes (GIII) winner **Bobby's Wicked One** (12-4-4-1—\$413,140); **Kristin Boice, Leslie Cummings** and **Valorie Lund's** 10-time winner **Mr. Jagermesiter** (18-10-3-2—\$497,902); **WinStar Farm, China Horse Club International** and **SF Racing's** \$150,000 Maryland Sprint (GIII) victor **New York Central** (11-4-2-1—\$331,700); and **Chris Wilkins'** three-time stakes winner **Wilbo** (34-11-6-8—\$745,980).

The field for the Bet On Sunshine from the rail out (with jockey, trainer and weight): **Mr. Crow** (Joe Rocco Jr., Ben Colebrook, 120); **Do Share** (James Graham, Norm Casse, 124); **Zipp On By** (Abel Lezcano, Rey Hernandez, 120); **Batterbatterswing** (Declan Cannon, Ted Lucas, 120); New York Central (Channing Hill, Steve Asmussen, 124); Recruiting Ready (Lanerie, Hough, 124); **Cowboy Creed** (Robby Albarado, Nevada Litfin, 120); Bobby's Wicked One (Miguel Mena, Al Stall Jr., 124); Wilbo (Chris Landeros, Chris Hartman, 122); and Mr. Jagermeister (Leandro Goncalves, Valerie Lund, 122).

Approximately 30 minutes following the Bet On Sunshine, the \$6 million Breeders' Cup Classic (GI) will be shown on the Big Board. Fans are invited to watch and wager on all nine Breeders' Cup events that take place Saturday. There are several locally based horses competing in this year's Breeders' Cup, including \$600,000 Stephen Foster (GII) winner **Seeking the Soul** in the Breeders' Cup Classic. The first 5,000 fans through the gates Saturday at Churchill Downs will receive a complimentary 2020 wall calendar presented by Humana. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.churchilldowns.com.

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